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National Level Accreditation Body
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is having a National level accreditation body to maintain uniformity and standards in library science education in the country;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government is planning to abandon library science courses without adequate facilities;
(d) if so, the details thereof; and
(e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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(a) to (e): There is no national level accreditation body to specifically maintain uniformity and the standards in library science education in the country. However, institutions offering library science as a discipline can undergo institutional accreditation by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC).
Universities are autonomous in the matter of offering a particular stream or discipline for study in their courses and provide adequate facilities and qualified faculty. The purpose of institutional accreditation is to make the institution aware, through a participative process, of the quality status of its programmes.
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